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SUBJECT: VISIT TO BERLIN BY DELEGATION OF NORTHERN IRELAND PEACE
MOVEMENT

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1. DELEGATION CONSISTING OF BETTY WILLIAMS, MAIREAD
CORRIGAN AND CIARAN MCKEOWN, REPRESENTING PEOPLE'S
PEACE MOVEMENT IN NORTHERN IRELAND, WILL VISIT
BERLIN FROM DECEMBER 10 TO 13.

2. GOVERNMENT OF BERLIN HAS PREPARED PROGRAM FOR
VISIT, HIGHLIGHT OF WHICH WILL BE AWARDED CAR VON
OSSIETSKY MEDAL TO DELEGATION ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12
AT CEREMONY CONDUCTED BY BERLIN SECTION OF LEAGUE FOR
HUMAN RIGHTS IN JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER. CEREMONY TO
BE PRECEDED BY RECEPTION GIVEN BY GOVERNING MAYOR OF
BERLIN, KLAUS SCHUETZ. OTHER ELEMENTS OF PROGRAM
INCLUDE DINNER ON DECEMBER 10 GIVEN BY CHIEF OF BERLIN
GOVERNMENT PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE, DR. STRUVE,
SIGHTSEEING AND OPERA PERFORMANCE ON DECEMBER 11,
LUNCH IN REICHSTAG BUILDING AS GUEST BUNDESTAG
MEMBER ANGELA GRUETZMANN, AND VISIT TO CATHOLIC
VICAR-GENERAL OF BERLIN ON DECEMBER 13. ALSO ON
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DECEMBER 13 DAY OF GROUP'S RETURN TO LONDON, GOVERNING

MAYOR WILL GIVE SAMLL RECEPTION FOR DELEGATION AT
BERLIN CITY HALL DURING WHICH THEY WILL SIGN GOLDEN
BOOK OF BERLIN.

3. WEST BERLIN POLICE PROVIDING HEAVY SECURITY FOR
DELGATION THROUGHOUT VISIT. BRITISH MILITARY GOVERN-
MENT OF BERLIN PLANS NO CONTACT WITH GROUP, PRIMARILY
TO AVOID CREATING PROBLEMS FOR PEACE MOVEMENT. BRITISH
TELL US ALSO THAT VISIT TO BERLIN MIGHT BE CANCELLED
AT LAST MOMENT BECAUSE MESDAMES WILLIAMS, CORRIGAN
AND MCKEOWN HAVE BEEN CIRITCIZED BY FELLOW MOVEMENT
MEMBERS FOR SPENDING TOO MUCH TIME TRAVELING OUTSIDE
NORTHERN IRELAND.
GEORGE

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